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JULY 1997



FIELD DAY 1997

Dah dit dah dit..... dah dah dit dah..... filled the airways as Field Day 97' got under way. It started Saturday morning with a breakfast gathering at the Circle Tee truckstop, followed by the grand antenna erecting party at the Neshota County Park. The new club generator was unveiled and the trailer that KA9BXG & N9NOF have been working on was also on display. The tilt over tower on the trailer worked well, as we found out when the primary tribander did not function and the antenna was quickly changed with the backup antenna.

The club ran 2 Alpha this year, along with the novice/tech station. We were able to keep all stations manned for the entire contest this year.

The CW station did very well, as people made an effort to keep the station

operational around the clock. The bands were not very co-operative but a good time was had by all. K9BOB kept the long lived tradition

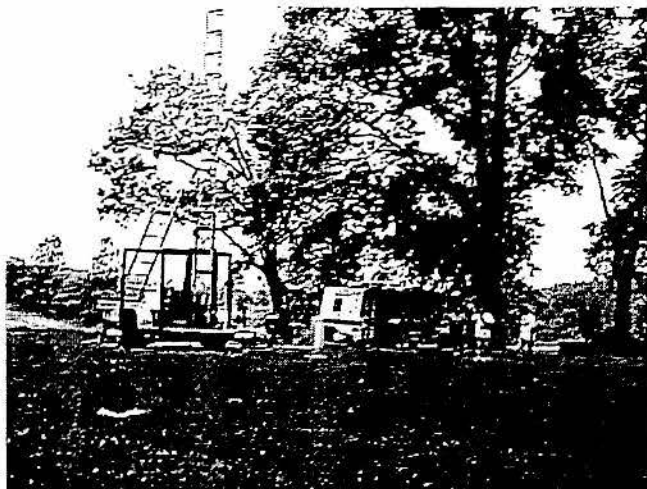
alive and arrived around midnight with the QR Taco run. Trees were also in plentiful supply for stringing dipoles and someone even brought a ladder to make it easier. An enjoyable fireworks display was also visible in the distance. After the contest was over, takedown went smooth.



CHUCK & JASON TAKING A BREAK

After takedown, some of the membership met at Homestead Supper Club and enjoyed a post Field Day Feast. The menu include all you can eat shrimp, sirloin steak, chicken, & ribs. The waitress even let KE9AS take home a doggie bag, (I didn't know he had a dog?)

The official total is not yet available, however the club made over 600 contacts. We hope to have the official score at the next meeting. A few photos were taken, which are scattered throughout this newsletter.



NESHOTA PARK FIELD DAY SITE

Meeting Minutes

The June meeting was called to order by John, KE9AS at 7:30 PM. Roll call was taken and revealed there were 21 members and 1 guest. Keith, N9NOF, read the minutes from the May meeting. A motion was made and seconded to accept minutes as read. Jake, KA9BLI, gave the Treasurer's Report. An ending balance of \$1399.80 was given plus interest for the month. A motion was made and seconded to accept as read. Motion passed.

Jake gave a Technical committee report. The UHF repeater has had a preamp installed which was donated by Ron, WB9MFB. ERP is now 298.7 watts. It has good range and excellent audio. Tom, KB9EWK, and Dale, WB9NRK, reported dx including Taiwan, China and a Russian dxpedition. Tom also reported 20 meters being open until 1:00 and 2:00 AM. 10 meters has also been opening up more frequently.

Fox hunt report was given by Paul, N9QLO. He found Dale and Dana in about 30 minutes. Gene's Deep Rock came in second. Keith and Wes came in 3rd. Paul came 4th also because he didn't get any goodies due to the efficiency of the wrecker. Jill, KB9PZF reported on the previous foxhunt, which was won by Dale.

Field day report was given by Joe, N9UPU. Field day will be held June 28th and 29th at Neshota Park. Overnight camping will be allowed. Let John know if you intend to camp out on Friday night. Motion was made and seconded to allocate \$100 for gas and soda etc. Motion passed. We need to have somebody volunteer their call for the novice/tech station.

Tom reported the Walk America raised \$150,000. If you helped out, get your t-shirt from Tom. Justin, N9ZDA, reported on the Ashwaubenon Parade. Keith gave a report on the Tour-de-Cure. They raised \$54,000. Sandy, N9RDC passed away on May 31st and was buried on June 2nd. John represented the Mike And Key Club. The club sent a card. A club picnic will be held in July or August on a Sunday afternoon. Joe will be doing the newsletter for August in Scott's absence. Keith gave a review of the Wisconsin QSO Party. With no further business to conduct the meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Submitted by Keith Summers, Secretary



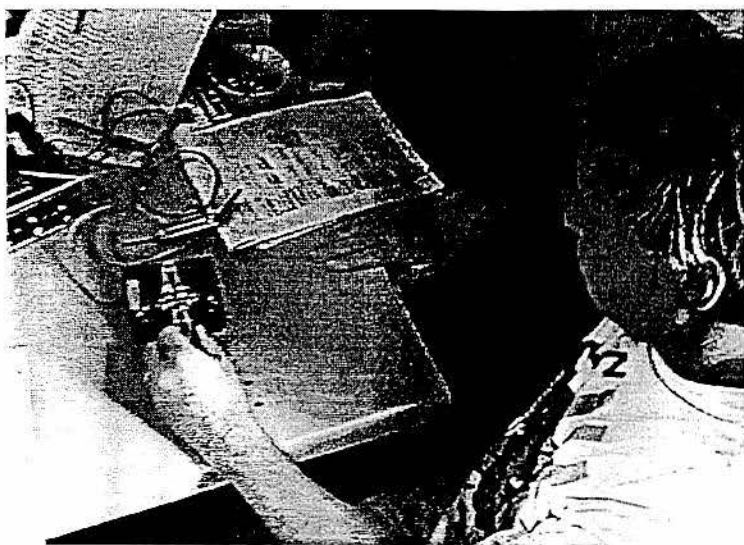
KN2F & K9BOB WORK THE CW STATION



N9NOF & KB9PZF WORK THE 40 METER BAND



KE9AS MAKES SURE THERES LOTS OF GRAPE POP !



K9BOB MAKES A CW CONTACT



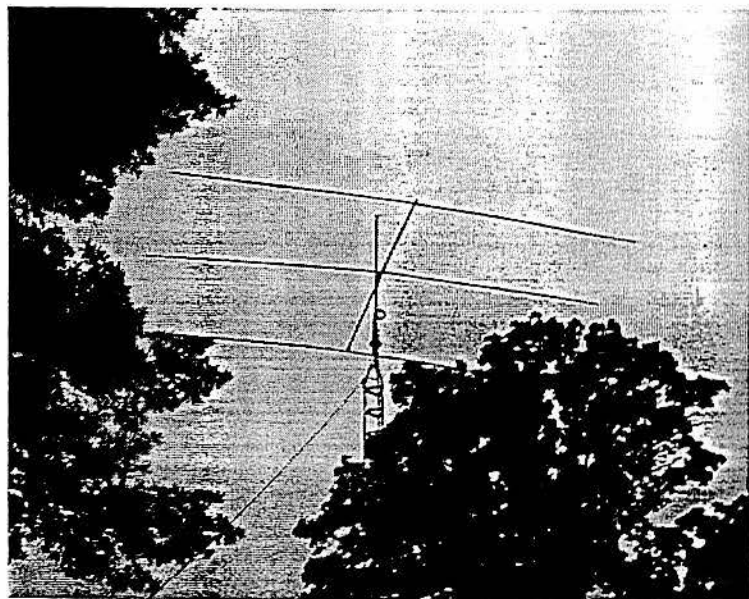
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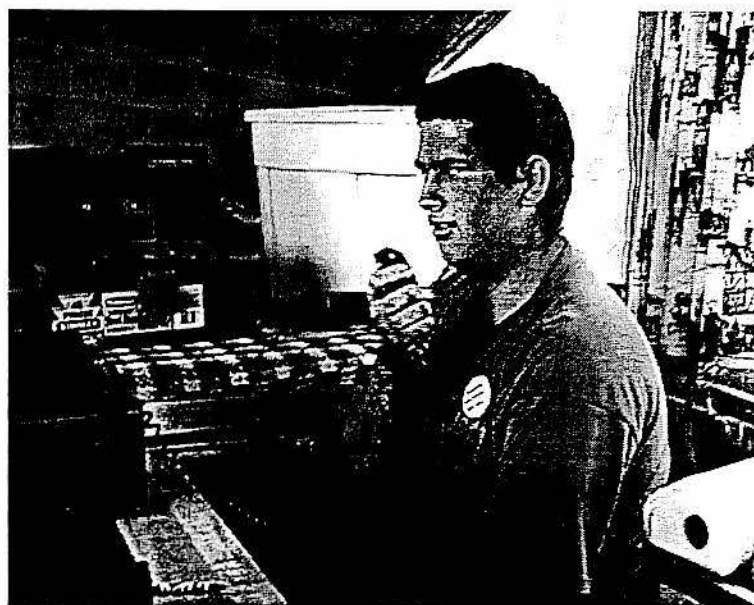
DALE TELLS JOHN THAT THERES PLENTY
OF GRAPE POP



W9RFT SAYS THE GRAPE POP IS GREAT !



THE K9EAM TRIBANDER



N9ZDA SCORES AGAIN FOR THE NOVICE
TECH STATION !

July 1997

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KA9BXG HANGS A DIPOLE



KN2F LOGS ANOTHER CW CONTACT !



N9NOF SNAGS A 40 METER CONTACT



NOVICE TECH STATION READY AND WAITING



THE BOYZ IN THE HOOD !



WHADDA MEAN THERE'S NO GRAPE POP ?



N-C photo—H. Marc Larson

Randy Kozloski is part of a network of radio operators serving as weather spotters for the National Weather Service.

Sky spies

Volunteers track storms for NWS

■ Volunteer storm watchers make the weatheman's job easier

By Steven Doman
News-Chronicle Reporter

Leaving a dry, warm house in search of howling winds and pouring rain is Scott Cole's and Randy Kozloski's idea of a good time.

Cole and Kozloski, both of Ashwaubenon, track severe weather as volunteers for the National Weather Service. For these weather hounds, it means as most people dash for shelter, they mobilize and head out into the elements.

"It's fun and exciting, and also personally rewarding," Cole said.

For both men, this bizarre and often dangerous choice for community service began with an interest in operating amateur radios. They now volunteer for Skywarn, an organization working with the National Weather Service (NWS) to give an up close reports of severe

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Want to help?: The National Weather Service is looking for contacts from small towns and rural areas in central, northcentral and Northeast Wisconsin to give reports on severe weather. If interested, write to Jeff Last, National Weather Service, 2485 S. Point Road, Green Bay, WI 54313.

weather.

Covering 23 counties in Wisconsin, Skywarn helps the NWS to keep a close eye on threatening weather by sending volunteers directly into the storm, helping the NWS track its severity and direction.

To use the Skywarn system, the NWS calls with a severe weather report and asks for updates of the storm's progression. Skywarn then

organizes its members in the particular area, sometimes with less than 10 minutes notice before the storm hits.

Although the NWS has the advanced radar technology, a person at the eye of the storm is often able to give a more accurate picture than a screen of colors.

Skywarn members have radio equipment in their cars to relay information about the storm immediately.

They enjoy working with the advanced equipment needed for the job. "You get to play with high tech stuff," said Cole.

Some also carry cameras and camcorders to film any major storm happenings.

Stormchasers are trained to look for clues to tell them what type of weather will develop, Cole said. And also, sometimes most importantly, they are trained to always have a method readily available to avert Mother Nature's most wicked situations, he said.

Dangerous situations present themselves most often at evening, Cole said. Because of the night sky, it becomes difficult to see the clouds and read their clues. It is then weather spotters most frequently get caught in severe weather, he said.

Skywarn volunteers are called to report on severe weather about 12 times a year, Cole said. Although, two years ago, there about 25 calls.

And as with so many other things in spring and summer, it depends on the weather.

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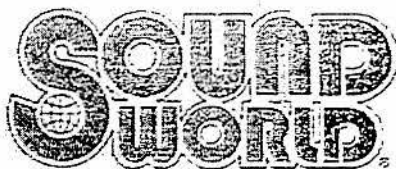
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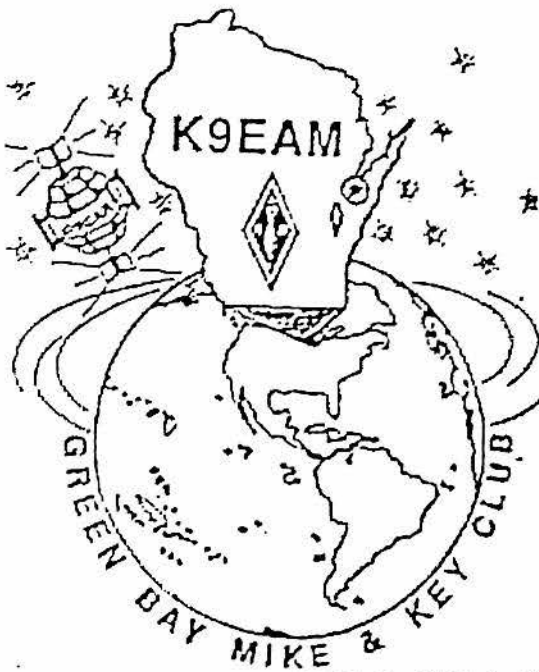
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